MANSFIELD AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE APPROVED Minutes of October 2, 2012 meeting

Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building, Conference Room B, 7:30 p.m.

1. Chairman Al Cyr called the meeting to order at 7:35.

PRESENT: Al Cyr, Charlie Galgowski, Vicky Wetherell, Meredith Poehlitz, Jennifer Kaufman (staff), Bill Varga, guest.

- 2. Minutes of the September 4, meeting were approved. The special meeting on September 17 did not have a quorum.
- 3. Opportunity for Public Comment Bill Varga informed the committee about his use of the leased field at Mt. Hope Park.

Old Business

- 4. *Leasing Policy* The committee reviewed a draft memorandum to Town Council and a draft Request for Proposals for leasing Town farmland to farmers. Revised drafts will be considered at the November 6 meeting. The committee proposes to ask the Town Council to consider these documents is in November.
- 5. Future agenda items: Winter meeting with farmers, meeting with HUD contractor, Farm Bureau disaster preparedness manual and potential committee outreach to farmers, easements.
- 6. The meeting adjourned at 8:45. The next regular meeting is on November 6.